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Benoit, et al.

Docket No. 905 P 187

Filed: 10/7/03

Art Unit: 2817

Serial No.: 10/680,797

Examiner: TBA

For: An Electrical Wiring System

Confirmation No. 4810

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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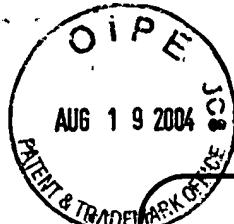
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Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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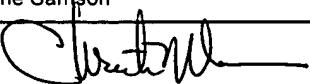
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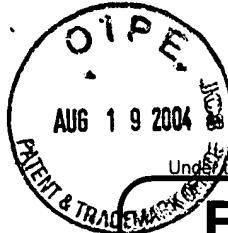
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001 770	2001 385	Utility filing fee			
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	n/a	-20** =	14	X	18	=	252	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	n/a	- 3** =	3	X	00	=	258		
Multiple Dependent							510		

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1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20		
1201 86	2201 43	Independent claims in excess of 3		
1203 290	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid		
1204 86	2204 43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent		
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent		
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1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
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1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 420	2252 210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 950	2253 475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,480	2254 740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 2,010	2255 1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 330	2401 165	Notice of Appeal	
1402 330	2402 165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 290	2403 145	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,330	2453 665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,330	2501 665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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1503 640	2503 320	Plant issue fee	
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1807 50	1807 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
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1810 770	2810 385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
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